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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment, which is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination, is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 3, 2007 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge all fees due to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 16-2500.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Abstract are shown on page 10

Remarks begin on page 11.

Please amend the application as follows: